



# Obituary Announcement

## Mr. Robert E. Nichols, Sr.

September 23, 1923 - August 14th, 2014

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Chesapeake - Robert Elmo Nichols Sr., 90, passed away peacefully on August 14th, 2014. He was born on September 23, 1923 in Norfolk, Virginia; the son of the late Jeffrey Napoleon Nichols and Maggie Sykes Nichols. Robert was a graduate of Booker T. Washington class of 1943. He was assigned to the 54th Defense Battalion at Montford Point the first Black marine unit in history. Robert received the Congressional Gold Medal for his service in the Marines. He finished his education at Virginia state College with a degree in Business Administration. Robert married the love of his wife Lena in 1950. He was preceded in death by daughter, Pamela Ann Nichols; sisters Ann and Catherine Nichols, Bernadine Nichols Williams; brothers, Bernard and James Nichols. Robert is survived by his loving wife of sixty-four years, Lena Johnson Nichols; their five children, Robert Nichols Jr.(Marilynn), Gail Deberry, Sharon Lee, Kimberly Roberson, and William Jeffrey Nichols (Angela); 11 loving grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren many nieces and nephews, as well as a host of loving friends. A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, August 21, at New Calvary Baptist Church in Norfolk, VA. Viewing will be at 10am. Interment will follow at the Albert Horton Veterans Cemetery in Suffolk, VA.

